Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	19th meeting	Conference Room 1

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under all agenda items (items 62-83) (A/C.1/52/INF/1)

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	15th meeting	Conference Room 1

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects [88] (A/52/209, A/C.4/52/L.9)

General debate

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 11.30 a.m.	36th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Video conference panel discussion on "Havana +50: New challenges for the international trading system" to be moderated by Mr. Rubens Ricupero, Secretary-General of UNCTAD in New York, and by H.E. Mr. Nacer Benjelloun-Toumi, Permanent Representative of Morocco, in Geneva. The Panelists invited are: H.E. Mr. Tofail Ahmed, Minister for Commerce and Industry, Bangladesh, Mr. Douglas Worth, Chairman, Trade Committee of the U.S. Council for International Business, Washington, D.C., Mr. Eduardo Delgado-Bermudez, Director-General of the Cuban Association of the United Nations, Havana and Mr. Geza Feketekuty, Director, Center for Trade and Commercial Diplomacy, Monterey Institute of International Studies, San Diego. This is the fourth in a series of keynote addresses and panel discussions for the Second Committee, organized, in part, with the support of the United Nations University.

11.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	36th meeting (resumed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	37th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the Economic and Social Council [12] (A/52/3, A/52/175-E/1997/75, A/52/203-E/1997/85, A/52/212, A/52/222, A/52/354, A/C.2/52/5, E/1997/49, E/1997/INF/3/Add.1)

Introduction and general discussion

Afternoon*- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals A/C.2/52/L.2 (item 95 (a)), (A/C.2/52/L.5 (item 99 (a)), A/C.2/52/L.7 and L.9 Iitem 99 (b))

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* Immediately following the adjournment of the 37th meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	32nd meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107]

   Introductions of draft proposals A/C.3/52/L.28 and L.29**

2. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [110]

   Introduction of draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.31

3. Programme of activities of the international Decade of the World's Indigenous People [109] (A/52/509)

   Introduction and general discussion

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* Re-issued for technical reasons.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	27th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Human resources management [153] (A/52/438, A/C.5/51/55 and Corr.1, A/52/7, paras. 107 to 112, and A/C.5/52/2)

   Continuation of general discussion

2. Financial reports and audited financial statements and reports of the Board of Auditors [113] (A/52/261, A/52/381 and A/52/518)

   (b) United Nations Institute for Training and Research (A/52/5/Add.4)

(c) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (A/52/5/Add.5)

Introduction and general discussion

3. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116] (A/52/6 (Vol. II), A/52/16 and Add.1 and A/52/7 (Chapter II, Parts VII-XII))

Public information (Part VII section 26)

Administrative services (Part VIII section 27)
Office of the Under-Secretary-General for Administration and Management (Part VIII section 27 A)
Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts (Part VIII section 27 B)
Office of Human Resources Management (Part VIII section 27 C)
Support services (Part VIII section 27 D)
Conference services (Part VIII section 27 E)
Administration, Geneva (Part VIII section 27 F)
Administration, Vienna (Part VIII section 27 G)
Administration, Nairobi (Part VIII section 27 H)

Internal oversight (Part IX section 28)

Jointly financed administrative expenses (Part X section 29)
Special expenses (Part X section 30)

Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance (Part XI section 31)

Staff assessment (Part XII)

Income section

General discussion

6.30 p.m.- 9.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 119 (Pattern of conferences (A/52/32 and Corr.1 (Chinese only) and Add.1, A/51/946 and Corr.1 (Russian only), A/52/215 and Add.1, A/52/216 and Add.1, A/52/291, A/52/340 and Add.1 and A/C.5/52/CRP.1))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	26th meeting	Conference Room 4

Convention on jurisdictional immunities of States and their property (A/52/294) [144]

WORKING GROUP ON THE UNITED NATIONS DECADE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

Morning*- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

* Following the adjournment of the 26th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Procurement reform (A/52/534)

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)
2.30 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	633 Third Avenue (Room 27-96)

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Ahmad Kamal (Pakistan), *today*, 11 November 1997, at 11 a.m. sharp in Conference Room B.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Copies of the advanced unedited version of the "Report of the Secretary-General on Observance of the International Year for the Eradication of Poverty (1996) and Recommendations for the Rest of the Decade", submitted under General Assembly agenda item 97 (f), are now available for delegations (outside of room S-2994).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 11 November 1997

GROUP OF 77 OF THE WHOLE
(on the United Nations reform)
(at the ambassadorial level)

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

11.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

ZONE OF PEACE AND COOPERATION OF THE SOUTH ATLANTIC

12 noon-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

GROUP OF 77 OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE
(on the Board of Auditors and the Office of Internal Oversight Services)

1.30 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on item 97 (h))

1.45 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on items 98 (b), (c) and (e))

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES

WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

4.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations for interested delegations will be held *today*, 11 November 1997, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 8, to discuss a draft resolution relating to the comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations (agenda item 88).

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Announcement

As from Monday, 3 November 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 3.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 12 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

10 a.m.	48th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency [14]:

(a) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Agency (A/52/285);

(b) Draft resolution (A/52/L.13).

3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 8

Informal consultations of the Coordinator on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance).

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	20th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	21st meeting	Conference Room 1

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.	16th meeting	Conference Room 2

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	38th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	39th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	33rd meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	34th meeting	Conference Room 4

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	28th meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the 28th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	27th meeting	Conference Room 3

WORKING GROUP (ARTICLE 50)

Afternoon*	closed meeting	Conference Room 3

* Following the adjournment of the 27th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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SECOND COMMITTEE

There will be a briefing by Mr. Gert Rosenthal, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission of Latin America and the Caribbean, entitled "Revitalizing the Regional Commissions", on Wednesday, 12 November 1997 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8. All members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the press are invited to attend.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee, as follows:

On 12 November: Mr. Lallah (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Myanmar), Mr. Amor (Special Rapporteur on the Elimination of all Forms of Religious Intolerance), Mr. Garreton (Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the Situation of Human Rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (formerly Zaire), Mr. Pinheiro (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Burundi), Mr. Paik (Special Rapporteur on the situation of Human Rights in Afghanistan), Mr. Dieng (Independent Expert on the Situation of Human Rights in Haiti), Mr. Deng (Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Internally Displaced Persons), Mr. Groth (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Cuba).

On 13 November: Mrs. Rehn (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro)), Mr. Hammarberg (Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Human Rights in Cambodia), Mr. Biro (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in the Sudan), Mr. Moussali (Special Representative on the Situation of Human Rights in Rwanda).

On 17 November: Mr. van der Stoel (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Iraq), Mr. Copithorne (Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the Situation of Human Rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran).

Dialogue

There will be a dialogue with the Chairperson of the Committee on the Rights of the Child, Ms. Sandra Mason, on Friday, 14 November 1997, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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The Committee on Relations with the Host Country will meet on Thursday, 13 November 1997, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7, to consider an addendum to the annual report of the Committee (A/AC.154/1997/CRP.2/Add.1).

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There will be a meeting of the Mason Group on Wednesday, 12 November 1997, at 9 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

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The third meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group established pursuant to resolution 553 (XXVI) (Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean) will take place on Wednesday, 12 November 1997, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations on the General Assembly draft resolution on the implementation of the outcome of the World Social Summit on Wednesday, 12 November 1997, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Informal consultations will be held to discuss the draft resolution concerning the situation of human rights in the territory of the former Yugoslavia (agenda item 112 (Human Rights Questions)) on Thursday, 13 November 1997, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room B.

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Informal presentation

Mr. Richard Feachem, Director of the Health, Nutrition and Population Team, and Mr. Alex Preker, Principal Economist of the Human Development Department, will make an informal presentation on "World Bank Strategies for Human Development" on Wednesday, 12 November 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. The presentation is organized by the World Bank. Members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations, agencies and the press are invited to attend.

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Symposium

A symposium on the theme: "The United Nations and the Global Environment in the 21st Century: From Common Challenges to Shared Responsibilities", organized by the United Nations University, in cooperation with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), will be held on Friday and Saturday, 14 and 15 November 1997, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

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Informal briefing

On behalf of the Friends of Microcredit at the United Nations, the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh, will hold an informal briefing on the follow-up of the Microcredit Summit held in Washington D.C. from 2 to 4 February 1997, to be chaired by H.E. Mr. Anwarul Karim Chowdhury, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations, on Monday, 17 November 1997, at 5.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The main presentation will be given by Professor Muhammad Yunus, Managing Director, Grameen Bank. In addition, a presentation will be given by Mr. Sam Daley-Harris, Director, Microcredit Summit Campaign. Members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 7 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 17th meeting

Introduction and consideration of draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items

The Committee concluded the third phase of its work, namely introduction and consideration of draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items and heard statements by the representatives of Myanmar (who introduced draft resolution A.C.1/52/L.29), Nepal (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.3), India (who introduced the draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.14), Thailand, Brazil (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.35), Indonesia, Paraguay (on behalf of the Rio Group), the Niger, Mexico (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.16 and A/C.1/52/L.17), the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.34), the Philippines, New Zealand, Pakistan (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.40), Algeria, Australia (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.23), Belgium, Finland, Israel (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.46), the United Kingdom, France, Egypt (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.4), the United States (also on behalf of the Russian Federation) (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.32/Rev.1), Japan, Germany, Canada (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/52/L.45), the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Egypt and the Russian Federation.

Monday, 10 November 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

47th plenary meeting

Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) [48]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of agenda item 48 and to include it in the provisional agenda of the fifty-third session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 48.

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (A/52/1) [10]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 10.

Statements were made by the representatives of Iraq, the Philippines, Colombia, Slovenia, Brazil, Argentina, Belgium, Malaysia, Guyana, the Islamic Republic of Iran, India, the United States, Austria, the United Kingdom, Romania, Germany, Italy, Ireland and Bangladesh.

The Assembly took note of the report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (A/52/1).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 10.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 18th meeting

Note: The summary of the 18th meeting of the First Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/219).

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 14th meeting

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects [88]

The Chairman drew attention to the report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations (A/52/209).

The representative of Egypt, in his capacity as Rapporteur of the Special Committee for Peacekeeping Operations, introduced the report of the Special Committee contained in document A/52/209.

The Under-Secretary-General for the Department of Peacekeeping Operations made a statement.

The general debate began with statements by the representatives of Nigeria, Canada (who in the course of his statement, introduced draft resolution A/C.4/52/L.9), Thailand (on behalf of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries), Jordan, Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union, as well as the following associated countries: Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Poland, Romania and Slovakia and Slovenia), China, the Niger, India, Ghana and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations replied to questions raised to in some of the statements in the general debate.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to close the list of speakers in the general debate on the item the same day at 6 p.m.

SECOND COMMITTEE 34th and 35th meetings

Note: The summary of the 34th and 35th meetings of the Second Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/219).

THIRD COMMITTEE 31st meeting

Advancement of women [105]

Introduction of draft proposal A/C.3/52/L.15/Rev.1

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

The representative of Mongolia, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Canada, Côte d'Ivoire, Germany, Finland, Lesotho, Malaysia, Mauritius, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Sweden, Thailand, the United Republic of Tanzania and Zambia, introduced and orally revised the draft resolution.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [107]

Introduction of draft proposals

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.26

The representative of the Sudan, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Georgia and Jordan, introduced the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.27

The representative of Lesotho, on behalf of States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of African States, introduced and orally revised the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/52/L.30

The representative of Finland, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Morocco, Mozambique, Nepal, Nicaragua, Suriname and Uganda, introduced the draft resolution.

Human rights questions: Implementation of human rights instruments [112 (a)]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Senegal, Chile, Benin, India, Mexico, Argentina, San Marino, Cuba and the Republic of Korea.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of the sub-item.

Organization of work

The Committee agreed to cancel the meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. on Tuesday, 11 November.

The Chairman drew the attention of delegations to a letter from the President of the General Assembly regarding the Agreed Conclusions adopted by the Economic and Social Council on "Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system" (A/52/576).

FIFTH COMMITTEE 25th and 26th meetings

Note: The summary of the 25th and 26th meetings of the Fifth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/219).

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International Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Nineteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

MONDAY, 10 NOVEMBER 1997

299th meeting

The nineteenth session of the Committee was declared open by its Chairman.

Adoption of the agenda [1]

The Committee adopted the provisional agenda (CAT/C/41).

Organizational and other matters [2]

The Committee adopted various decisions relating to this item.

Submission of reports by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [3]

Consideration of information received under article 20 of the Convention [5]

The Committee began its consideration of these items in closed session.

300th (closed) meeting

Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention [6]

The Committee began its consideration of this item in closed session.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, adopted at the Second Meeting of the Parties at London on 29 June 1990

Ratification: Namibia (6 November 1997)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations announces that a special signing center has been set up in room C-209B (between the Security Council and Trusteeship Council Chambers) for the purpose of accepting signatures from prospective co-sponsors of a draft resolution entitled "International Year of Volunteers: 2001", which will be introduced to the General Assembly on 20 November under agenda item 12. The center will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. from *today*, 11 November, to Friday, 14 November. For further information, please contact Mr. Yutaka Yoshino (521-1526) of the Japanese Mission.

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Training courses for permanent missions

The second set of off-site Internet training course has been scheduled by the Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) to take place from 17 to 24 November 1997. The list of attendees should be submitted by Monday, 10 November, to Ms. Glenda San Pedro (fax: 963-0952). The courses offered will be: Netscape 3.0; Intermediate Internet; Introduction to HTML; Intermediate HTML; and Creating a Website.

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